

# Work on Harbor General Hospital Starts in 1960

Start of construction on the new \$14,000,000 Harbor General Hospital and Outpatient Clinic was predicted in less than 12 months today by architects who appeared before the County Board of Supervisors for the approval of preliminary plans for the structure.

On the motion of Supervisor Burton W. Chace, the Board approved the preliminary drawings and instructed the architects to proceed with final plans for the building to be constructed on 25 acres near Carson St. and Vermont Ave. on a portion of the existing Harbor General Hospital site.

According to preliminary plans, the hospital will consist of eight stories with an adjoining two-story wing and outpa-

tient clinic of reinforced concrete construction.

The general hospital will be elevated on columns at the first floor to form a colonnade which will enable patients and visitors to enter both the public and admitting lobbies directly from their automobiles.

The 600-bed general hospital will contain approximately 400,000 square feet of floor space and the two-story wing will contain an additional 36,000 square feet of space. According to Chace, the outpatient clinic will accommodate 9000 patient visits per month.

Architects on the job include Francis J. Heusel of Long Beach and Paul R. Williams, Adrian Wilson, and Welton Becket all of Los Angeles.



"THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS" was pantomimed by members of the second grade at Casimir School, while members of the 150-voice choir, pictured here, sang in accompaniment. The PTA Christmas program, including carols from foreign lands, took place Dec. 10 in the school auditorium.

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The Spirit of Christmas descended on Torrance High School campus Dec. 19 with the singing of Christmas carols by groups of students from the foreign language classes and the Tartar Choir.

The foreign language students, under the direction of Mrs. Kennedy, Spanish teacher, toured the Torrance High School campus singing typical Christmas carols in French, Spanish and Latin.

The Tartar Choir, under the able direction of Jim Nichols, toured the Campus and the District Administration offices from 11 to 12 a.m. The singing of Christmas carols by the Tartar Choir in the Halls of Torrance High School and district offices has become a musical tradition.

**ASSIGNED TO GERMANY**  
Army PFC Robert D. Peebler III, 19, whose mother, Mrs. Marie Anna Druey, lives at 23701 S. Western Ave., recently was assigned to the 48th Ordnance Company in Baumholder, Germany.

**Casaba Clinic**  
Preps Youngsters  
for League Play

Casaba clinics for youngsters are planned at three parks during the next two weeks under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Dept.

Basketball league director Al Pell said the basketball training sessions are slated Dec. 23 at Sea-Aire Park and Dec. 27 at Walteria Park.

Each class will be from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

There is no charge for the clinics, open to all boys of elementary school age, but participants will be expected to wear gym shoes, Pell said.

The instruction is in preparation for youth basketball leagues, which will begin play Jan. 3 at Torrance Parks. Youngsters may register at the park nearest their home if they wish to join a team, Pell declared.

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